of the ghost, or it he had it d d not scare

him. He was persec ly tamiliar with the

lonely road, for he had travelled it for

church was, for he had spent many

hours in its shalows, and he telt no

qualms about passing the deserted grave

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S. B Alexander, Trustee. Charlotte, N. C., July 10 1896

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF LAND By virture of a deed of trust executed by Jack Street and wife to me to secure the payment of a debt owing to Dr. John H. McAden, which deed of trust is dated November 23d 1894 and registered in the office of the Register of Deeds of Mcklenburg County in book 99 page 280, I will sell at public auction at the court House door in Charlotte, N. C. to the highest bidder for cash, on Monday the 17th day of August 1896, the lot conveyed by said deed of trust and described as That parcel of land situated in the Map of said City as a part of lot- 571 & 572 and in Butler' Map as No One in the said Eq are and being the same lot which was conveyed by J W Miller to said Jack Street by deed registered by a releast to the flock bereful the said office in book No. 25 and page his same to need at aight aheal and well understood the men separated and fighting. Then the rest of the flock bereful the flock bereful the said office in book No. 25 and page his same to need at aight aheal and well understood the men separated and fighting. P. D. WALKER, Trustea.

Executor's Notice. Having qualified as Executors of the will the late A Brevard Davidson we herebynotify all persons having claims against h's estate to pre-sent the same before the 20th day of July 1897 tate will be required to make prompt settleme n

E. L, BAXTER DAVID 30N. JNOE OATES, Executors.

Administrator's Notice.

Having qualified as Administrator of Dock McKinney, deceased, late of Mecklenburg county, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 3rd day of July, A. D., 1897, or this notice will plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please

make immediate payment. GEORGE J. ETHERIDGE,

July 3rd 1896.

Admistrator's Notice.

All persons having claims against the estate of Mrs. Jane Black deceased, are hereby notified to present them to me, properly attested, on or before the 18th day of July 1897. All persons

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GHOST EIGHT FEET

IT HAUNES AN INDIANA TOWNSHIP AND WILL NOT DOWN.

Corries an Awful Club and T avas with a Roar Like a Summer Thunder Storm in a Forest-Heeds Neithe: Buckshot Nor Rifle Bullets-Brave Men terrified Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Benton, Ind., July 26, - Wearing a long dark Moon walked boldly ahead, his have fired at the fearful object with shot blood in his body seemed turned to ice going to repair the old nests. guns. But that it is a real ghost is pro- and his brain reeled, ved by the fact that the shot whisled | Fifty feet before him he saw a ghost, a about a mile away, where there was harmlessly through the ghost and it dis- figure 8 feet tall, with a flowering white some very sticky and tenacious mud. place, wavin its lon white arms and reached its waist. As he gazed, stupefied fly back to the cabin, and plaster the litshaking its club at pursuers.

been fired at by terrified searching parties, and it has each time vanished and old church looming up in the darkness.

appearance. On that evening John W. on the wings of the wind, and the thun- wheeled around him a little while and French and his good wife made a call at derous roar continued, he sank to the then flew away. a neighbor's some miles away from their earth and knew no more until he awoke "The moment they were out of sight land bought of H. C. Severs, Administrator of farm. The evening was spent in story in the farmers house surrounded by his Joseph McQuay. Beginning at a stone on the telling and jolity, and it was well along friends with a doctor bending over him er nests, and began to pull off the fresh oans of the granch, runs due South 39 poles to a stone a stone; thence South 57 E 55½ poles to a stone to toward midnight when Farmer French In broken words Moon told the awful mud which the owner had just left. When in the field near a house; thence North 35 E, I elped his wife into his big farm wagon story of his fright and of the ghost which he had a good mouthfull he went back to 28½ poles to a Hickory stump in the field; and climbed up beside her to start home thence N. 41 W. 78 poles to a cedar; thence S. 44

W. 18 poles to the beginning also one undivided.

A few miles along the lonely country at the memory of the fearful object. Ever "By the time the other bird." W. 18 poles to the beginning; also one undivided road over which they had to trazel is an since he has been under the constant back with more clay he was drooping in old church, moss grown and weath r care of a physician, and his condition is his nest again, looking as if he were in beaten, and besides it is graveyard well grave. filled with the bone; of those who o ce tilled the soil 'n this locality. Ten year ago an aged man who lived alone not far tryside seemed to flame with desire to from the old church and visited the graveyard almost daily to watch over the cover the cause of the apparitions which resting place of some relative, was foully had so terrified French and Moon. Meetmurde ed for the store of gold he was inge were hurridly held and passes orsupposed to have hidden about his hermit abode. The robbers and murder re ture with the long white beard and menescaped justice and the luckless gray- acing club. Many farmers and hired beard was buried in the graveyard where men positively refused to join the expe-

he spent so much time. sported in terror. French was alarmed A leader was chosen, and he divided the and suspecting highwaymen had been men into squads of three to four, posting scented by the horses, he reached for a them at various places along the road wagon for just such an emergency. Bu before his hand to uched it he was startled it appear, and on its far ure to hal, to fire ber p'undering his house. He pitch d He does not only preach to the people, by a scream from his wife. Clutching directly at it. With these instructions gasped: Look John, look."

Far down the roa', just be de the felt sure would come. gl mmeri g monuments of the olu grave yard he saw an apparition. It was that ed some of the watchers were not so bold been stealing our mud! o a man with a long white bear sweep- as they had been at the outset. The litof a man with a rong white bear sweep as they had been at the outset. The figure appeared the groups kept close together and whiled to be eight feet in height and in one away the anxious hours telling ghost peck at the third and to beat him with minor townships and villages. ed French to come ahead. He was too those who had known him, and the hore on their own. startled to do anything except try to re rible story of his murder by robbers was strain the prancing horses which were retold. That he had come to haunt the all. I noticed that his nest was not finat a ghost, an then the sound of his wife ed upon the coustryside for his sudden voice came to him begging him to return taking off. While these stories were theway they had come and escape the causing shudders to chase up and down doom which seemed impending. French the spines of the more timprous in the was still too much scared and excited to control the horses, and as he g zed stead led one of the groups with a cry, "There fastly at the fearful white object in the it is!"

tale to the frightened people. No ghost before, supervened. could then be seen, and some of those in the house were inclined to doubt tht story and laid it to imagination. Be Mrs French could not be induced to pass the trees as they approached where the latter are better filled with general useful the graveyard again that night, and the ghost had been seen. A meeting was knowledge, and the farmer's son is usualcouple stayed for the night with their held and Martin and his friends related by the best equipped, for life's battle, of Armour Institute of Techhology in that couple stayed for the night with their and martin and his friends related by the boast of their adventure. Extra caution was or the country side, and by night every ode from Millersburg to New held and martin and his friends related by the best equipped, for hie so battle, of the two; though it may be the boast of the two; thoug Paris had heard of the Benton ghost, serted churchyard watching for the ghost than the country lad has in his head. The old church and graveyard were vis- which did not come. ited during the daytime by hundreds.

but no trace of the ghost could be found Parties of boys and young men boldly watched once more and once more the people who till the soil equal to that found ventured to stay in the graveyard all awful apparition was seen. It was fur- among our native American farmers. "that if we were to have an election tonight and wach for the apparition but as ther away than on the first night, and as In Europe and other countries the far- morrow, Bryan would stand an excellent the shade of night drew on and the shade it approached the thunderous roar which mers are usually tenants and it requires chance to win. He must not be laughed ows of the headstones began to lengthen Moen and French had described was ircessant toil and constant vigilance on at in the East He will visit you here, across the grass most of the wachers left, plainly heard. A volly of shots was sent be part of the dependent farmer and and by the force of his mental and orathe place under various excuses A per through the spectre when it came within his usually large family to pay the high torical power, will make many converts. culiar, creepy feeling, common to those firing distance, but they whistled through rents and then have enough remaining to The men who are in favor of free silver

amounted almost to a panic, so that same instant the ghost disappeared.

ship, strode sturdily along the highway return with the same tale. The ghost of of it. which passed the graveyard and over Benton is talked of at night in country | Second, and the chief reason is in the which Farmer French's team went flying bomes and wayside villages and still it city there are so many things daily oc the night b fore. Moon bad not heard alks abread, spreading terror and dismay curring to divert and distract the mind in its wake."

A Feathered Criminal.

years. He knew just where the old much of his life in the woods, "that if we In summer they are taught from natures knew more of wild animals we should open book while their city cousins waste find in them most of the qualities that their time in all kinds of fashionable folcharacterize human beings. I went up lies and forms of amusements where the white beard and robe and carrying a thoughts on a business venture which he to Aroostook county, Me, early last year highest intellectual achievement is to be huge club, a real ghost, eight feet high, contemplated, when suddenly he heard a to get the first of the spring fishing. well up in small talk and slang phrases. is abroad in Benton township, E khart county. Night after night it has been thender. Sotting in amazoment he look glad to see that eight or ten pairs of barn seen for the last week, and night af- ed up and the sight which met his eyes swellows, which had built under the ter night searchin parties of farmers turned him sick and giddy. All the eaves of my cabin the year before, were

"They went at once to a little spring appeared only to reappear in a different robes and a patriarchial beard which They would fill their mouths at the spring and almost insane, Moon observed that the wad of mud on the nest. They worked It has been seen by hundreds, it has the figure was transparent, and through very industriously, flying backward and HE SEES RENEWED PROSit he could still see the dim outline of the forth from dawn till sunset.

"But by and by I noticed that one of

"By the time the other birds came

the last stages of consumption. Now When this tale was spread broadcast and then, when the rest of the birds were near, he would 'peep' a little as if to say:
'O how sick I am! If you only knew how throughout the neighborhood the counbad I feel!' and the other birds fluttered trace the mystery to its source and disabout him as if they were trying to sym- of the White Metal. pathize with him, or advising him what

And just as the lumbering wagon of of Moon, but enough brave men were bave to go a distance for materials, and white head stones in the church yar the armed with shotguns and rifles they set mud while the others were getting one. Dr. T. De Witt Talmage, at Easthamton could put on two or three mouthfuls of horses reared back on their haunches and out Friday night to hunt down the ghost. He had too much intelligence to steal all L. I., after a long tour of the Scuthern his mud from one nest, so the loss was States. not noticed for some time. "But his sins found him out at last. Square No. Seventy Six and designa ed in Beer's shot gun which lay in the bottom of the near the old churchyard. Each squad One of the other swallows got back bewas ordered to challenge the ghos: shoud fore he was expected, and found the rob-

waited for developements, which they gan to return. I suppose the first one his country-men. screamed, in swallow language: 'C',me When the main party was thus divid-"In an instant there was a tremendous

hand it carried a club, suc as the brains stories and wited tales of apparitions of their wing. They drove him out of his covery thereon. All persons indebted to the est of the old an had been beaten out with by gone years. The history of the luck - nest and away across the stream. Then ten years before. Sowly raising one arm less old man, whose ghost they thought they all fell to and pulled from his nest the ghost with a majestic step beckons they were awaiting, was recounted by all the mud that was fresh enough to use "I don't think the thief came back at

straining at the harness in attempts to neighborhood where once he toiled and ished that summer. What became of his to break away and run. Cold swest suffered all were agreed, and the fact mate? I don't know. One of the sad started out all over the body of the farme that the tall ghost carried a club was things in life is the fact that a man's wife as he realized that he was at last look-r taken to indicate that he was to be aveng. has to share the consequences of his wrong-doing .- Youth's Companion.

Why the Country Boy is Needed:

It has long since became an established fact that the ablest and most successful road it slowly began to move toward Less than twenty feet away stood the men in our great commonwealth are the the wagon. The club was now raised to ghost, evidently looking directly at the sons of farmers and the majority of them its shoulder, as a soldier carries a rifle, watchers. Its long arms hung motion- have grown to manhoods estate in the and it seemed to move foward without less and in one hand was grasped the country. Go into any of our large cities ruin following in the wake of the silver touching the ground like a winged thing club. It did not attempt to approach and converse a few minutes with the movement, the opposite will be the re-Then the farmer recovered his faculties the group of men huddled there in the most successful business men there and sult. and, whirling his team around, he lashed darkness with hands tightly clutched you are not long in finding out that the the horses into a run and began the trip their shotguns, and hearts beating so greater number of them came from the to the house of the friend he had just left loudly they could almost be heard. Mar country to the town comparatively poor As he did so a great roaring noise as of tin was the first to recover himself. Rais- young men. Look at them now, in many thunder filled all the air and maddened ing his shotgun to his shoulder he called cases they are the men who run the town, the frightened horses, so that they ran in a loud voice: "Who stands there? speak, so to speak. Why is this constant drain noise came from the ghost which followed spectre, but instead one of the long arms with statesmen, orators, preachers, merover the road like wild creatures. The or I fire," No answer came from the upon the country to supply the world noise came from the ghost which followed spectre, but instead one of the long arms with statesmen, orators, preachers, merclose behind the wagon. Though fainting slowly raised and the figure began an chants and men eminently fitted for every atrong particles on either side. There with fear Mrs French could not resist the almost imperceptible advance. This was station in life? Why is it, we are asked strong partisian on either side. There with fear Mrs French could not resist the temptation to look behind and see wheth the spook was following. She saw it about ten feet behind the wagon and as she screamed it vanished.

A few minutes later French drove into the hornward of his friend and told his to the barnyard of his friend and told his peared and carkness, more intense than of any city or town fifty young men or maidens and take an equal number of The noise of the guns aroused the oth- the same age from among the sons and er watchers in distant spots and their daughters of our intelligent farmers and lanterns could be seen flashing among we will guarantee that the minds of the

There are two reasons to account for The next night the party was again re this; first, there is no country in the world deeply impressed with the widespread organized and under the same directions where greater advancement among the feeling for silver in those localities. remainedn! it con a it as harmlessly as before, and at the satisfy their bodily wants. On the other bewhiskered. There are many among hand our native farmers in good circum- bewhiskered. There are many among every man in the crowd left for home and The stories told by the members of the stances own their land and carry on their them of great brains and intelligence." vowed the ghost could do as it pleased posse when they returned to their homes industrial pursuits with less worriment

created intense excitement. Women re- than our business men in the cities conblackness which goes down over every. [used to go out of doors at night and half duct their establi-hments, and as the far thing in the c untry at night. The me on the country people are sitting up all night | mer knows he can never leave a fortune at times struggled through the clouds to watch for the coming of the tall ghost in money or real estate to his children, which overspread the heavens and shed a with the big club. It appeared in vali- endeavors to give them that greater for faint radia co on the tombstones in the ous places, but usually somewhere near tune, an educated mind. Thus he gives lonely graves and and the long rank the graves and or the o'd church where his some and daughters every admiationgrass which fl urishes in the city of the the murdered man lies buried. Each al advantage possible and they, knowing deat About a silence reigned when hight scarching parties go out to run how it comes, take advantage of every MI on Moon, a farmer of Benton town- down the spectre and each night they opportunity presented and make the best

> of the city child and while o'. long winter evenings the country lad and lass have no other amusements than careful ly reading and re-reading literature that "I suppose" said a man who had spent stores their minds with useful knowledge. MINNIE ABERNETHY.

PERITY IN ITS VICTORY.

Last Tuesday night it mad its first as it swept toward Moon, as though borne head and acted as if sick. The others SOUTH AND WEST SOLID.

THE CELEBRATED PREACHER GIVES HIS VIEWS FREELY.

Reports the South as Almost to a man

in Favor of the Immediate Remonitization

"If the silver peop le win, I believe ganised to hunt down the spectral creas he was out, pulling mud off their nests to "This lasted nearly all the afternoon, now inactive, and such a general shak" and the thief was getting on finely. He ing up of commercial interests that the dition when they had learned of the fate had his nest almost done; for he did not country will be sure to prosper ."

These words were spoken by the Rev.

The reverend gentlem an is a keen observer and can see which way the wind blows as quickly and with as much cerupon the thief at once and they fell to but he mingles with them, teeling the

Dr. Talmage arrived at Easthamton here! Come here! This lazy rascal has on Friday last from Chautauqua, where he had attended an educational convention. Not only in the big cities did the

ALMOST ALL FOR SILVER.

"During my entire trip," he said, "I did not find more than one or two men who were not silverites. The unanimity was astounding. The sentiment down South is universally for the white metal. Bryan and Sewall will get a very large vote from that section of the country' Dr. Talmage is too little or two much

of a politician to come out flat-footed for free silver, but his utterances are perhaps sufficiently significant to show the ter-"My associatins and training and

my politicial affiliations of the past place me on the side of a single standard," he cautiusly said, and then as a twinkle came into his eye he added: "But I cer-

"I am not advocating that side of the politicial question," said the diplomatic divine, "but I do not believe, with a good many of my Christian friends, that in the success of that movement the country will greatly suffer. "This is a strong nation," he added, "We

vehemently in favor of silver."

DR. GUNSAULUS'S VIEWS.

The Rev. Dr. Frank W. Guneaulus, pastor of the Pilgrim Congregational church, of Chicago, and president of the He is at the St. George Hotel. He is

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May 14:h.

I hereby announce myself a cannidate for the office of Register of Deeds, of Mecklenburg county, subject to the action of the Democratic nominating convention. May 21, 1896.

FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the

county, subject to the action of the Democratic nominating convention. A. M. McDONALD.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Register of Deeds of Mecklenburg county, subject to the action of the Democratic

J. ARTHUR HENDERSON. TREASURER FOR MECKLENBURG. I hereby announce myself a candidate for ofice of Treasurer for Mecklenburg county sub-

voters in their primaries and county convention

ect to the action of the Democratic county con-

EDGAR H. WALKER.

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